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We are forwarding herewith a Preliminary Amendment in the application of Noriko Sugimoto Serial No. 10/007,198 for TROUBLE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM filed October 19, 2001 in Group 2163.

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification

Rewrite the paragraph starting at page 1, line 8 and ending at page 1, line 14 as follows:

-- Conventionally, when a user using, for example, an ink jet printer encounters a trouble, e.g., fading of printed characters, he or she has a way to resolve the trouble by referring to a maintenance manual, by asking for a solution from a telephone consulting service or the like of the manufacturer, or by consulting with the sales agency that sold the machine to the user. --

Rewrite the paragraph starting at page 6, line 13 and ending at page 6, line 22 as follows:

-- The transceiving apparatus 131 has functions for enabling the client trouble management system 130 to exchange information directly with the client PC 110, i.e., the function of

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